By the King,

A PROCLAMATION,

Commanding Apothecaries to follow the Diſpenſatory lately compiled by the College of Phyſicians of *London*.

GEORGE R.

Whereas nothing is more likely to be of Fatal Conſequence to the Healths and Lives of Our Subjects, than the ill Compounding or Making up of Medicines, to be Adminiſtred to Perſons afflicted with Sickneſs, contrary to the Preſcriptions of their Phyſicians, beſides that a groſs Deceit thereby would be put upon the Patients: And whereas there has been compiled, in the Latin Tongue, by the College of Phyſicians of London, a Book Intituled, Pharmacopœia Londinenſis, preſcribing and directing Apothecaries the General Forms of Diſpenſing and Compounding all Sorts of Medicines, Diſtilling Oyls and Waters, and making ſuch like Extracts, together with the true Weights and Meaſures, by which they ought to be made; which Book, through the great Care and Induſtry of the ſaid College, has been lately Reviſed and Amended, and is now Perfected, and ready to be Publiſhed, and is a Work which will greatly tend to the Publick Good of Our Subjects, by preventing all Deceits, Differences, Varieties, and Incertainties in Making or Compounding of the Medicines, and Diſtilling of the Oyls or Waters therein mentioned, if, for the future, the Manner and Form preſcribed by the ſaid Book ſhould be generally and ſolely practiſed by Apothecaries, and others, in their Compoſitions of the ſaid Medicines, and Diſtillations of the ſaid Waters or Oyls, &c. We therefore being deſirous to provide in all Caſes for the Common Good of Our People, and being perſwaded the Eſtabliſhing the General Uſe of the ſaid Book may tend to the Prevention of ſuch Deceits in the Making and Compounding Medicines, wherein the Lives and Healths of Our Subjects are ſo highly concerned, have, by and with the Advice of Our Privy-Council, thought fit to Iſſue this Our Royal Proclamation, Notifying to all Apothecaries and others concerned, to the Intent they may not pretend Ignorance thereof, that the ſaid Book, called Pharmacopœia Londinenſis is perfected, and ready to be Publiſhed. And We therefore ſtrictly Require, Charge, and Command all and ſingular Apothecaries and others, whoſe Buſineſs it is to compound Medicines or diſtilled Oyls or Waters, or make other Extracts within any part of Our Kingdom of Great Britain called England, Dominion of Wales, or Town of Berwick upon Tweed, that they and every of them, immediately after the ſaid Pharmacopœia Londinenſis ſhall be printed and publiſhed, do not compound, or make any Medicine or Medicineable Receipt or Preſcription, or diſtil any Oyl or Waters, or make other Extracts, that are or ſhall be in the ſaid Pharmacopœia Londinenſis mentioned or named, in any other manner or form than is or ſhall be directed, preſcribed, and ſet down by the ſaid Book, and according to the Weights and Meaſures that are or ſhall be therein limited, except it ſhall be by the Special Direction or Preſcription of ſome Learned Phyſician in that behalf. And We do hereby Publiſh and Declare that the Offenders to the Contrary ſhall not only incur Our juſt Diſpleaſure, but be proceeded againſt for ſuch their Contempt and Offences, according to the utmoſt Severities of Law.

Given at Our Court at St. *James*'s, the Fifth Day of *March*, 17$\frac{21}{22}$. In the Seventh Year of Our Reign.

God ſave the King.

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